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10 a.m. — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

Somalia (S/2005/642)

Other matters

Morning[1] — 5301st meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation concerning Iraq

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the consultations of the whole.

General Assembly

Sixtieth session

Main Committees

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. — 24th meeting — Conference Room 2

Operational activities for development (A/60/3, A/60/111, A/60/125-E/2005/85, A/60/125/Add.1-E/2005/85/Add.1 and A/60/125/Add.2-E/2005/85/Add.2[1]) [57]

(a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system (A/60/74-E/2005/57, A/60/83-E/2005/72 and A/60/274)

(b) South-South cooperation: economic and technical cooperation among developing countries (A/60/39 and A/60/257)

Introduction and general discussion

[1] To be issued.

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3–6 p.m. 25th meeting Conference Room 2

1. Macroeconomic policy questions [50]

   (a) International trade and development

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.18

2. Globalization and interdependence [54]

   (a) Globalization and interdependence

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.12

   (b) Science and technology for development

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/60/L.17

   (c) International migration and development

   Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.2/60/L.15 and A/C.2/60/L.16

3. Operational activities for development (A/60/3, A/60/111, A/60/125-E/2005/85, A/60/125/Add.1-E/2005/85/Add.1 and A/60/125/Add.2-E/2005/85/Add.2[1]) [57]

   (a) Operational activities for development of the United Nations system (A/60/74-E/2005/57, A/60/83-E/2005/72 and A/60/274)

   (b) South-South cooperation: economic and technical cooperation among developing countries (A/60/39 and A/60/257)

   Conclusion of general discussion

[1] To be issued.

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 36th meeting Conference Room 1

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions (A/60/12, A/60/12/Add.1, A/60/276, A/60/293, A/60/300 and A/60/440-S/2005/658) [39]

Introductory statement by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees followed by "question time"

General discussion

3–6 p.m. 37th meeting Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [71 (b)]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/69/L.32

2. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [71 (c)]

   Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/60/L.38, A/C.3/60/L.39, A/C.3/60/L.47 and A/C.3/60/L.51

3. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination (A/60/18) [69]

(a) Elimination of racism and racial discrimination (A/60/283, A/60/440-S/2005/658 and A/C.3/60/4)

(b) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action (A/60/307 and A/60/440-S/2005/658)

4. Right of peoples to self-determination (A/60/263, A/60/268, A/60/319 and A/60/111) [70]

Conclusion of general discussion

5. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions (A/60/12, A/60/12/Add.1, A/60/276, A/60/293, A/60/300 and A/60/440-S/2005/658) [39]

Continuation of general discussion

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. 22nd meeting Conference Room 3

Programme planning (A/60/16, A/60/16/Corr.1 and A/C.5/60/11) [125]

Office of Internal Oversight Services on proposals on the strengthening and monitoring of programme performance and evaluation (A/60/73)

Conclusion of general discussion

Morning[1]–1 p.m. Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 125 (Programme planning (A/60/16, A/60/16/Corr.1, A/C.5/60/11 and A/60/73))

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 22nd meeting.

Sixth Committee

11.30 a.m.–1 p.m. 21st meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country (A/60/26) [153]

Introduction of and action on draft resolution A/C.6/60/L.15

United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law [78]

Action on draft resolution A/C.6/60/L.5

Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization [82]

Introduction of and action on draft resolution A/C.6/60/L.13

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . **Closed meeting** . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . **Closed meeting** . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. United Nations Children's Fund biennial support budget for 2006-2007

2. Outcome document of the High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly of September 2005, submitted by the President of the General Assembly

General Assembly

Sixtieth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 75 (b)
(Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 75 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks) will be held *today*, 9 November 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Second Committee
Informal "informal" consultations

Informal "informal" consultations, convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Selwin Hart (Barbados), on the draft resolution on international trade and development, under agenda item 50 (a) (Macroeconomic policy questions: international trade and development), will be held *today*, 9 November 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Informal "informal" consultations, convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Peter Le Roux (South Africa) on the draft resolution on agenda item 50 (c) (External debt crisis and development), will be held *today*, 9 November 2005, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Informal "informal" consultations, convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Andre Siregar (Indonesia), on the draft resolution on agenda item 54 (c) (International migration and development), will be held *today*, 9 November 2005, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Economic and Social Council

Informal "informal" consultations

There will be informal "informal" consultations, convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Carlos G. Ruiz Massieu (Mexico), on the draft proposal on the Maldives and on the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its seventh session (E/2005/33), *today*, 9 November 2005, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

Informal consultations convened by delegations

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Informal consultations on a draft resolution on the protection of migrants (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution on the protection of and assistance to internally displaced persons (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Norway)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on corruption and its impact of the full enjoyment of human rights (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of the United States)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, under agenda item 39 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Finland)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on the protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on Afghanistan (Parts A and B), under agenda items 17 and 73 (e) (convened by the delegation of Germany)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Co-sponsors meeting of the draft resolution entitled "Rights of the child", under agenda item 67 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegations of the United Kingdom, on behalf of the European Union and Uruguay, on behalf of SLACC (some Latin American Countries)

5–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 9 November 2005

OIC Group (on the 2005 World Summit Outcome document) (at the expert level)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS)

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

African Group (Third Committee experts)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 1

African Group: Group of Experts on Economic Matters (exchange of views with officials from the World Bank)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Arab Group (on the draft resolutions under agenda items 30 (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East) and 31 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories) (Fourth Committee)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Group of 77 (consultations on the draft resolution on racism (Third Committee))

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Group of 77 (core group on corruption)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Group of 77 (on operational activities)

3–4 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Group of 77 (on new and renewable sources of energy, natural disasters and vulnerability; followed by a meeting of the core group on desertification)

4–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Friends of the International Criminal Court (presentation of the draft 2006 budget of the Court)

3–4.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

United Nations Democracy Caucus (at the ambassadorial level) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Mali)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Round table on "The impact of the 2005 World Summit on the social development"; and interactive discussion with the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Bureau of the Commission for Social Development and non-governmental organizations (co-sponsored by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs and the Permanent Missions of Bolivia, Monaco and South Africa)

Today, 9 November 2005, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Rooms 5 and 6.

[All are invited to attend.]

OLA/UNITAR Seminar on the Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and the Registration of Treaties

Today and *tomorrow*, 9 and 10 November 2005, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

[For more information, please see the announcement under the header *Signatures, Ratifications, etc.* (p. 20).]

United Nations Administrative Tribunal

Today, 9 November 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Room DC2-0461.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Wednesday, 9 November 2005

Room S-226

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings

Thursday, 10 November 2005

General Assembly
Sixtieth session

10 a.m. 47th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

1. Notification by the Secretary-General under Article 12, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations: note by the Secretary-General (A/60/352) [109]

2. Report of the Security Council (A/60/2) [9]; Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [117]: *joint debate*

General Assembly
Sixtieth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 75 (b)
(Oceans and the law of the sea)

The open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 75 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks) will continued on Thursday, 10 November 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Informal consultations on agenda item 75 (a)
(Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 75 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) will be held on Friday, 11 November 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

2005 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities

The 2005 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities will be held on Friday, 11 November 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2. It would be appreciated if delegations could submit the names of their representatives to the Pledging Conference, in writing, to the Secretary of the Conference, Ms. Sangeeta Sharma (fax 1 (212) 963-5935). The list of speakers is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat (Ms. Maureen Otto (tel. 1 (212) 963-7855; or fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Main Committees

Second Committee

The Second Committee will hold a meeting to take action on the following draft resolutions: A/C.2/60/L.10/Rev.1[1] (item 52 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development); and A/C.2/60/L.9/Rev.1 (item 73 (b) (Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions), as well as on all other draft resolutions ready for adoption under this item, on Friday, 11 November 2005, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Special presentation

There will be a presentation by Dr. Prabhat Patnaik, Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University, on "Globalization, development and poverty eradication", on Thursday, 10 November 2005, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The event will be chaired by the Chairman of the Second Committee, H.E. Mr. Aminu Wali (Nigeria).

Informal "informal" consultations

Informal "informal" consultations, convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Ana Cristina Rodriguez (Guatemala), on the draft resolution on agenda item 52 (e) (Sustainable development in mountain regions), will be held on Thursday, 10 November 2005, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal "informal" consultations, convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Harald Aspelund (Iceland), on the draft resolution on agenda item 53 (Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat)), will be held on Thursday, 10 November 2005, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal "informal" consultations, convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Irena Zubčević (Croatia), on the draft resolution on agenda item 52 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21, and the outcomes of the World Summit for Sustainable Development), will be held on Thursday, 10 November 2005, from 2 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal "informal" consultations, convened by the Facilitator, Ms. Husniyya Mammadova (Azerbaijan), on the draft resolution entitled "Globalization and interdependence", under agenda item 54 (a) (Globalization and interdependence), will be held on Thursday, 10 November 2005, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

Informal "informal" consultations on the draft resolution on a Global Code of Ethics for Tourism, under agenda item 52 (Sustainable development), will be held on Thursday, 10 November 2005, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal "informal" consultations, convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Gonzalo González (Dominican Republic), on the draft resolution on the use of spirulina to combat hunger and malnutrition and help achieve sustainable, under agenda item 52 (Sustainable development), will be held on Thursday, 10 November 2005, from 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A.

[1] To be issued.

Panel discussion on "Sustainable development: energy issues"

There will be a panel discussion on "Sustainable development: energy issues", organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Friday, 11 November 2005, from 4 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The panellists will include Ms. Kateri Callahan, President of the Alliance to Save Energy; Dr. Diego Arjona Arguelles, Executive Secretary of the Mexican Commission for Energy Conservation; Prof. Vijay Modi, Columbia University; and Mr. Philip LaRocco, Executive Director of E&Co.

Panel discussion on "Remittances"

There will be a panel discussion on "Remittances", organized by the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Monday, 14 November 2005, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The meeting will be chaired by H.E. Mr. Aminu Wali (Nigeria), Chairman of the Second Committee. The panellists will include Ms. Patricia Santo Tomas, Secretary, Department of Labor and Employment, Philippines; Ms. Sofiane Khatib, Economic Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Spain; Mr. Alan Winters, Director, World Bank; Mr. Manuel Orozco, Senior Fellow, Inter-American Dialogue; Mr. Marco Sánchez, Social Affairs Officer, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC); and Mr. Damian Popolo, International Affairs Manager, The Arts and Humanities Research Council. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee is open for inscription. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maureen Otto (tel. 1 (212) 963-7855; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

[*Note:* Delegations wishing to reserve rooms for informal "informal" consultations on Second Committee matters are requested to contact Ms. Danielle Maillard-Lejano (tel. 1 (917) 367-5865; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail Maillard-Lejano@un.org).]

Third Committee

Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates, and advisers are reminded to convey such information to the Secretary of the Third Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950; fax 1 (212) 963-5935), by Friday, 18 November 2005.

Relevant information relating to the organization of work and the status of documentation is available on the Web site of the Third Committee at the following address: www.un.org/ga/60/third.

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Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Thursday, 10 November 2005, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Sixth Committee

List of speakers

The list of speakers for agenda item 153 (Report of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country) is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Nena Villena-Tanedo (tel. 1 (212) 963-5375); fax 1 (212) 963-1963; e-mail villena-tanedo@un.org)).

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

The 289th meeting of the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will be held on Thursday, 10 November 2005, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Forthcoming informal consultations convened by delegations

Informal consultations on globalization and its impact on the full enjoyment of human rights (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Egypt)

Thursday, 10 November 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster, under agenda item 73 (c) (convened by the delegations of Belarus, the Russian Federation and Ukraine)

Thursday, 10 November 2005, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on the future operation of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of El Salvador, on behalf o the Group of 77)

Friday, 11 November 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Suite of Offices of Conference Room 1.

Informal consultations on a draft resolution on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Denmark)

Friday, 11 November 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on human rights mainstreaming in the United Nations system (Third Committee) (convened by the delegations of the Netherlands and Belgium)

Friday, 11 November 2005, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Rights of the child", under agenda item 67 (Third Committee) (convened by the delegations of the United Kingdom, on behalf of the European Union and Uruguay, on behalf of SLACC (some Latin American Countries)

Friday, 11 November 2005, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Other forthcoming meetings

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African Group (Third Committee experts)

Thursday, 10 November 2005, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 1.

OIC Group (at the ambassadorial level)

Thursday, 10 November 2005, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Workshop on "Food security and gender: What is the link? What is at stake?" (organized by the UNU World Institute for Development Economics Research (UNU-WIDER))

Thursday, 10 November 2005, from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in Conference Room E.

[All are invited to attend. The programme and a registration form are available at www.ony.unu.edu/. For further information, please contact Ms. Jibecke Jonsson (tel. (212) 963-6387).]

International Criminal Court (meeting of the Bureau)

Friday, 11 November 2005, from 9.15 to 10.15 a.m. in Conference Room D.

UNITAR briefing on the Security Council for members of the Council

Monday, 14 November 2005, from 3 to 6 p.m.;

Tuesday and Wednesday, 15 and 16 November 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; and

Thursday, 17 November 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Laura Faehndrich (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

United Nations Development Programme

Thursday, 17 November 2005, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber: first briefing in the process of consultations with UNDP Member States on the *Human Development Report 2006*; and

Wednesday, 30 November 2005, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber: second informal briefing on the *Arab Human Development Report 2005* and the new Arab States regional programme.

[Interested delegations are invited to attend.]

Briefing on "From humanitarian action to sustainable development" (organized by the NGO Committee on Sustainable Development and the Policy Development and Studies Branch, Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs)

Thursday, 17 November 2005, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mrs. Roma Stibravy, Chairperson, NGO Committee on Sustainable Development (tel. 1 (212) 703-5069).]

Announcements

Preparations for the fiftieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fiftieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (27 February–10 March 2006), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Enhanced participation of women in development: an enabling environment for achieving gender equality and the advancement of women, taking into account, inter alia, the fields of education, health and work; and (b) Equal participation of women and men in decision-making processes at all levels. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and curricula vitae which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate on the theme. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org and/or selcuk@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than Wednesday, 7 December 2005.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Thursday, 3 November 2005, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 8 November 2005

Security Council

5300th meeting

The situation concerning Iraq

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Iraq, at his request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2005/704, submitted by Denmark, Japan, Romania, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

The Council proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/2005/704) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2005/704) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1637 (2005).

Following the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, the United States, Romania, Japan, Denmark and France, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the Russian Federation.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Iraq.

General Assembly

Sixtieth session

45th plenary meeting

Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba [18]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/60/213)

(b) Draft resolution (A/60/L.9)

Statements were made by the representatives of Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Saint Lucia (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Mexico, China, the United Republic of Tanzania, Malaysia, South Africa, Viet Nam, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, the Sudan and India.

The General Assembly decided to close the list of speakers for this item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Indonesia, Zambia, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Belarus, Namibia, the Syrian Arab Republic, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Myanmar and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya.

H.E. Mr Felipe Pérez Roque, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Cuba, made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/60/L.9.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union and those countries which aligned themselves with the statement), the United States, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation and Zimbabwe.

By 182 votes to 4, with 1 abstention (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/60/L.9 (resolution 60/12).

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Uruguay (on behalf of the Southern Common Market, as well as associated states) and Australia.

The representative of Cuba made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 18.

46th plenary meeting

Report of the International Criminal Court: note by the Secretary-General (A/60/177) [81]

Mr. Philippe Kirsch, President of the International Criminal Court, made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union and those countries which aligned themselves with the statement), Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Nigeria (on behalf of the African States), Argentina, Switzerland, Uganda, Peru, Japan, the United Republic of Tanzania, the Republic of Korea, Mexico, Ecuador, Costa Rica, Brazil, Jordan, Serbia and Montenegro, New Zealand, Norway, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Liechtenstein, Canada, Australia, Kenya, Uruguay and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 81.

Extension of the work of the Sixth Committee

The General Assembly decided to extend the work of the Sixth Committee until Tuesday, 29 November 2005.

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

23rd meeting

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories [31]

General debate

The Committee concluded its general debate with statements by the representatives of Israel, Algeria, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Senegal, Morocco, Lebanon, the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union) the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Yemen, Namibia and Pakistan.

The observer for the Organization of Islamic Conference made a statement.

Right of reply

The observer for Palestine made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

Assistance in mine action [27]

Action on draft resolution A/C.4/60/L.7/Rev.1

The representative of the United Kingdom introduced draft resolution A/C.4/60/L.7/Rev.1.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.4/60/L.7/Rev.1 without a vote.

A statement in explanation of position after the decision was made by the representative of Israel.

Organization of work

The Committee decided to cancel the meeting scheduled to take place on Wednesday, 9 November, and to take action on draft resolutions/decision submitted under agenda items 30 and 31, on Thursday, 10 November.

Third Committee

35th meeting

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [71 (b)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.30

The representative of Cameroon introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed, as well as Algeria and Guinea.

Ghana, Kenya, Mali and Togo joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.33

The representative of India introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed, as well as Australia, Ghana, Norway, the Republic of Korea, the Republic of Moldova, Romania, Senegal and Sri Lanka.

Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Guinea, Mexico, Nepal, Timor-Leste and Turkey joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.40

The representative of Norway introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed, as well as Albania, El Salvador, Israel, Jordan, Nigeria, the Republic of Korea, South Africa, Sri Lanka and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

Burkina Faso, Lesotho and Turkey joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [71 (c)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.41

The representative of the United Kingdom introduced the draft resolution, on behalf the European Union and other sponsors listed.

Serbia and Montenegro joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.45

The representative of Canada introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed.

Croatia joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.46

The representative of the United States introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the sponsors listed, as well as Albania and Switzerland.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.48

The representative of the United Kingdom introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the European Union and other sponsors listed.

Serbia and Montenegro joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

The representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea made a statement.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/60/L.53

The representative of the United Kingdom introduced the draft resolution, on behalf of the European Union and other sponsors listed, as well as Switzerland.

The Republic of Korea and Serbia and Montenegro joined in sponsoring the draft resolution.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination [69]

(a) Elimination of racism and racial discrimination

(b) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Right of peoples to self-determination [70]

The Committee continued its joint consideration of the agenda items.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Algeria, Japan, Cuba, Liechtenstein, Chile, Iraq, Palestine, Egypt, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Pakistan, the Syrian Arab Republic, India, the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Russian Federation.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

Fifth Committee

21st meeting — *Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007* [124

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chairman of the Joint Inspection Unit, Mr. Ion Gorita, introduced the report of the Unit (A/60/78).

The representative of the Secretariat of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination introduced the comments of the Secretary-General (A/60/78/Add.1).

The Acting Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions made a comment on the reports.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union; the acceding countries Bulgaria and Romania; the candidate countries of Turkey and Croatia; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Serbia and Montenegro, as well as Ukraine, which aligned themselves with the statement), the United States and Nigeria.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this question.

Other matters

The representative of Nigeria, as coordinator of agenda item 122 (Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations), made a statement.

Summary of meetings held away from Headquarters

Monday, 7 November 2005

Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

Committee against Torture
Thirty-fifth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

665th meeting — *Opening of the session* [1

The Committee opened its thirty-fifth session. Ms. Jane Connors, Chief of the Treaty Implementation Team of the Treaties and Commission Branch, made an introductory statement, on behalf of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Adoption of the agenda [2]

The Committee adopted its programme of work and its provisional agenda (CAT/C/85).

666th meeting (closed) *Consideration of communications under article 22 of the Convention* [7]

The Committee considered communications under article 22 and met with non-governmental organizations in respect of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

Tuesday, 8 November 2005

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
Thirty-fifth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

32nd–33rd meetings *Consideration of reports* [6]

(a) Reports submitted by States parties in accordance with articles 16 and 17 of the Covenant

(b) Reports submitted by specialized agencies in accordance with article 18 of the Covenant

The Committee began the consideration of the initial report of Slovenia (E/1990/5/Add.62). In accordance with rule 62 of the Committee's rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report and replied to questions raised and comments made by the members of the Committee.

Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment

Committee against Torture
Thirty-fifth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

667th meeting *Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 19 of the Convention* [5]

The Committee began its consideration of the initial report of Bosnia and Herzegovina (CAT/C/21/Add.6).

668th meeting (closed) The Committee discussed the 2005 Inter-Committee and Chairpersons Meetings and met with non-governmental organizations in respect of Nepal.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control. Geneva, 21 May 2003

Ratification: Bulgaria (7 November 2005)[1]

Ratification: Central African Republic (7 November 2005)[1]

Ratification: Saint Lucia (7 November 2005)[1]

Approval: Portugal (8 November 2005)[1]

OLA/UNITAR Seminar on the Deposit of Treaty Actions with the Secretary-General and the Registration of Treaties

United Nations Headquarters
(9-10 November 2005)

The seminar, sponsored by the Office of Legal Affairs of the Secretariat (OLA) and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), will take place *today* and *tomorrow*, 9 and 10 November 2005, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

The objective of the two-day seminar is to provide an overview of the deposit of treaty actions with the Secretary-General and the registration of treaties. The seminar is designed essentially to meet the needs of members of the Permanent Missions and representatives from capitals, and other personnel, in particular, legal counsellors and advisors, dealing with matters of treaty law, or specifically involved with the preparation of treaty actions with regard to multilateral treaties and with the registration of treaties pursuant to Article 102 of the United Nations Charter. Assistance and guidance will also be provided on the domestic aspects of participation in multilateral treaties.

The seminar is based on the Treaty Handbook, which was developed and published by the Treaty Section of OLA. The Treaty Handbook is a practical guide to the depositary practice of the Secretary-General and the registration requirements of the Secretariat. It is designated to serve as a tool for Member States, secretariats of international organizations and legal practitioners.

For more information about the seminar, please contact the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org). Information Notes and Nomination Forms will be transmitted to the Permanent Missions accredited to the United Nations in New York by UNITAR shortly.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

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DPI/NGO briefing on "Women, peace and security: Participation, protection and prevention"

Thursday, 10 November 2005, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sasa Gorisek, NGO Section, Department of Public Information (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859, e-mail gorisek@un.org).]

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *November 2005* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Nigeria
H.E. Mr. Aminu Bashir Wali

Asian States:
Indonesia
H.E. Mr. Rezlan Ishar Jenie

Eastern European States:
Poland
H.E. Mr. Andrzej Towpik

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Bahamas
H.E. Ms. Paulette A. Bethel

Western European and other States:
Belgium
H.E. Mr. Johan C. Verbeke

Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Tuesday, 8 November 2005.

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	Sixtieth session
A/60/3/Add.1	Item 41 — Report of the Economic and Social Council — Report of the Economic and Social Council for 2005 [A C E F R S]
A/60/436	Items 134 and 135 — Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 — Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 — Staff retention and legacy issues — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/60/440/Corr.2-S/2005/658/Corr.2	Items 9, 12, 14, 15, 17, 19, 24, 25, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 46, 50, 51, 52, 54, 56, 66, 69, 70, 71, 73, 74, 84, 89, 90, 94, 97, 100, 103, 108, 110, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119 and 120 — Letter dated 17 October 2005 from the Permanent Representative of Yemen to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/60/480	Item 34 — Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations — Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/60/481	Item 35 — Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories — Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/60/482	Item 36 — Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations — Report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) [A C E F R S]
A/60/527	Item 21 — Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) — Letter dated 28 October 2005 from the Permanent Representative of Argentina to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/60/531	Items 18 and 108 — Necessity of ending the economic, commercial and financial embargo imposed by the United States of America against Cuba — Measures to eliminate international terrorism — Letter dated 1 November 2005 from the Permanent Representative of Cuba to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

A/60/535 Items 46 and 120 — Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields — Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit — Letter dated 1 November 2005 from the President of the General Assembly to the Permanent Representative of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela [A C E F R S]

A/60/L.15/Add.1 Item 48 (a) — Sport for peace and development: building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal — 165-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

A/C.4/60/L.7/Rev.1 Item 27 — Assistance in mine action— 44-Power revised draft resolution [A C E F R S]

A/C.4/60/L.9 Item 30 — United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East — 26-Power draft resolution — Assistance to Palestine refugees [A C E F R S]

A/C.4/60/L.10 Item 30 — United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East — 27-Power draft resolution — Persons displaced as a result of the June 1967 and subsequent hostilities [A C E F R S]

A/C.4/60/L.11 Item 30 — United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East — 27-Power draft resolution — Operations of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [A C E F R S]

A/C.4/60/L.12 Item 30 — United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East — 27-Power draft resolution — Palestine refugees' properties and their revenues [A C E F R S]

Second Committee

A/C.2/60/L.18 Item 50 (a) — Macroeconomic policy questions: international trade and development — One-Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]

Third Committee

A/C.3/60/L.33 Item 71 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 12-Power draft resolution — National institutions for the promotion and protection of human rights [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/60/L.40 Item 71 (b) — Human rights questions: human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms — 53-Power draft resolution — Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/60/L.41 Item 71 (c) — Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — 33-Power draft resolution — Situation of human rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/60/L.45 Item 71 (c) — Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — 38-Power draft resolution — Situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/60/L.46 Item 71 (c) — Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — 32-Power draft resolution — Situation of human rights in Turkmenistan [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/60/L.47 Item 71 (c) — Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — 30-Power draft resolution — Situation of human rights in the Sudan [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/60/L.48 Item 71 (c) — Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — 36-Power draft resolution — Situation of human rights in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/60/L.51 Item 71 (c) — Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — 31-Power draft resolution — Situation of human rights in Uzbekistan [A C E F R S]

A/C.3/60/L.53 Item 71 (c) — Human rights questions: human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives — 34-Power draft resolution — Situation of human rights in Myanmar [A C E F R S]

Sixth Committee

A/C.6/60/L.13 Item 82 — Report of the Special Committee on the Charter of the United Nations and on the Strengthening of the Role of the Organization — One Power draft resolution [A C E F R S]

Security Council **Documents**

A/60/440/Corr.2-S/2005/658/Corr.2
Letter dated 17 October 2005 from the Permanent Representative of Yemen to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

S/2005/688 Letter dated 28 October 2005 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Eritrea to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

S/2005/695 Letter dated 2 November 2005 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

S/2005/696 Letter dated 2 November 2005 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]

S/Agenda/5299 Provisional agenda [A C E F R S]

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S/AC.44/2004/(02)/124 Letter dated 28 September 2005 from the Permanent Representative of El Salvador to the United Nations addressed to the Committee [A C E F R S]

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ST/LEG/SER.A/703 Statement of Treaties and International agreements — Registered or filed and recorded with the Secretariat during the month of September 2005 [E F (bilingual)]

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